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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office
Restriction Action mailed August 25, 2004, which response is being made on or
before September 25, 2004.

Applicants hereby elect Species of Figures 1 - 19.

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional
applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to any
one or more of the non-elected species.

Respectfully submitted,

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